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In the Specification:

Page 1 - Please add the following paragraph before the first paragraph of the specification:

This application is a continuation of my copending application No. 10/244,770, filed August 21, 2002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,685,468.

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Page 14 - Please amend the paragraph beginning on line 15 as follows:

Where the appliance body is ceramic and a bracket, a metallic oxide is included in the polymer resin, as disclosed in co-pending application No. 10/120,052 filed April 10, 2002, now U.S. Patent No. 6,786,720, and also owned by the assignee of this application.

Page 16 - Please amend the first paragraph as follows:

Referring now to the embodiment of Figs. 4, 5 and 6, an orthodontic appliance, generally indicated by the numeral 15A, differs from the embodiment of Figs. 1 to 3 only in that the opening or slot in the base extends horizontally instead of vertically. This embodiment includes in general an appliance body 35 of the same type illustrated in the embodiment of Figs. 1 to 3 and a polymer resin base 37 provided with a horizontally extending opening 39 at the lingual side of the appliance. As in the embodiment of Figs. 1 to 3, the cross-sectional shape of the opening is rectangular and one side of the opening may be of any suitable cross-sectional shape. In this embodiment the horizontally extending opening in the base may receive a secondary archwire 42 as shown. When molding the base on a Tip-Edge Bracket body, and including a horizontal opening, the opening can also accommodate a leveling archwire, as described in the co-pending application No. 10/177,951, now U.S. Patent No. 6,682,345, filed June 21, 2002, also owned by the assignee of this application.